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Applicants: Bradley N. KIPPE et al.

For : Vehicle Fuel Pulse Damper

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Currently amended) Fuel pressure pulse damper comprising a metallic damper body defining a chamber in which a flexible diaphragm is received in a manner to dampen fuel pressure pulses between a fuel pump and fuel injectors of a vehicle fuel system, said damper body including a first fitting for receiving pressurized fuel and a second fitting for connection to a fuel rail for supplying pressurized fuel to fuel injectors of the vehicle engine, said diaphragm forming a first chamber that communicates to pressurized fuel entering the first fitting and leaving the second fitting and a second gas-containing sealed chamber on an opposite side of said diaphragm.

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